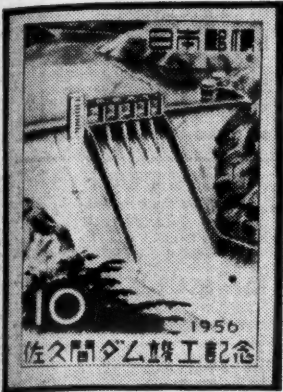


Syria Publicizes Museum Week

Japan's Newest Has Hydroelectric Dam

October 15 was the day of issue of a 10 yen commemorative Japan produced to note the completion of the Sakuma Dam. It is now the largest hydro-electric installation in the nation.



The design has a view of the dam from the right bank; and it was prepared by Yutaka Yoshida. The engraving is the work of Yoshiro Kawahara.

In a dark blue color the printing was in panes of 20 in a quantity of five million.

Ancient, Electric Locomotives Shown

Portugal, on October 28, released a set of four stamps, in two designs, for the centenary of the nation's railroad system.

On the 1 and 2.50 Escudos is an ancient wood-burning engine of the most primitive type, while the 1.50E and 2E show one of the modern electric locomotives.

Painter and architect Frederico George conceived both designs using an 1856 model locomotive and the most modern of the electric.

D. J. Duarte of Lisbon, Portugal who sent the information advises that in spite of the fact the first day of issue was a Sunday, that a large crowd was on hand to purchase the stamps and to prepare first day covers.

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DONATION TO PHILATELIC FOUNDATION. Siegmund Adler, seated right, gave his splendid collection of British North America stamps to the Philatelic Foundation in New York City. Chairman of the organization, Mrs. Louise Boyd Dale, seated left, accepted the gift in an informal ceremony. Standing from left to right are assistant to the chairman Ethel Harper, John R. Boker, Jr., W. S. Boggs and George E. Burghard.

Many Skills Are Required, Policies To Be Made In The Fine Art Of Catalog-Making

Helen Kingsbury Zirkle

Of one thing you may be sure, no matter how hard one tries to make the perfect postage stamp catalogue, there are bound to be loudly voiced criticisms. To me this is a good sign of growth and healthy interest, but to those who have worked hard over the product, it seems a little difficult to take.

A well known collector of postal stationery was heard to say that no matter how many pains were taken to make a catalogue, the one responsible always wishes he had it back in the proof stage so he could make additions and corrections. The corollary of this is, in over-simplified terms, that a catalogue, to be good, should have gone through more than one edition.

Of course, all this applies particularly to the making of a specialized philatelic catalogue where people are supposed to know more and more about less and less of the subject. Should the editor of this kind of reference book happen to miss some bit of verified and proven information which a fellow

specialist has kept gloatingly to his bosom, woe be unto him! At least the information will have been pried loose and will appear later.

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Along with Egypt, which issued a 10 mills stamp for the same purpose, Syria led the Arab countries in honoring UNESCO-sponsored International Museum Week (October 8-14) by placing on sale a set of three airmails commemorating this event, in the quantity of 35,000 sets.

An antiquities-conscious country, whose capital city, Damascus, is probably the oldest continually-inhabited major city in the world, going back some 5000 to 6000 years to the days of Genesis, Syria chose to feature three of her choicest National Museum or National Treasure pieces on this set.

Thus, on the 20pi gray low value, we see a clay tablet on which is impressed, some 3500 years ago, the world's first phonic alphabet, in the cuneiform script of the Phoenician city-state of Ugarit, at Ras Shamra, near Syria's modern major seaport of Latakia.



It is in the form of an ABC copy book tablet, prepared for some long-forgotten Ugaritian school boy. What is interesting is that it is arranged in the order later adopted by the Greeks, who, with differently-shaped letters, passed it along to us.

This lends substance to the legend of Phoenician Prince Cadmus, carrying the precious alphabet to Greece as a cultural contribution in connection with his founding the city of Thebes as a Phoenician colony in Greece.

The Phoenicians of Syria and Lebanon were the world's first great traders, with colonies and trading posts as far away as Scandinavia, Britain, France, Spain, North and West Africa, and a Red Sea-Indian Ocean trade route to India. They found Egyptian hieroglyphics and Mesopotamian cuneiform syllable writings too cumbersome for their commercial accounts and boiled down both systems to short phonic alphabets, principally

at Ugarit (circa 1450 B.C.) and Byblos (circa 1100 B.C.).

The superscription at the bottom of the stamps, in Arabic and French, says: "The ABC Tablet of, Ras Shamra (Ugarit)".



The 30pi. lake features the elaborately carved helmet of a Syrian legionary officer of the Roman Army of the East, a treasure of the National Museum in Damascus. Roman Syria provided several emperors for the throne on the Tiber including the legionnaire Philip the Arab, from the Hauran plain south of Damascus, and Elagabalus, once high-priest of the Temple of the Black Stone at Homs. A curlicue and crossed arrow motif below the helmet carries the inscription in French and Arabic "International Museum Campaign", and this is the only indication to be found on the whole three value set as to the purpose of these com-

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Asian-African Games Sport Topicals

Prepared for issue in July, but not generally available in most Middle East stamp circles until October due to the hula-balloo about the Scout Jamboree sets and sheets, and the Suez Canal Nationalization issue, were Egypt's sports topicals commemorating the Asia-African Games at Cairo.



The event commemorated according to Bruce Conde was a sort of regional rather than world-wide, Olympic Games or Sports Festival at which the North African and Asian Arab states and some adjacent or Moslem bloc countries, India, etc. participated.

A 10 mills internal and A.P.U. first-class letter rate stamp in brown and green, and a 35 mills airmail adhesive in violet brown and orange make up the two value set.

The low value shows maps of the areas involved framed in interlocking rings (thus making them map as well as sports topicals) under a green laurel branch, with bilingual (Arabic and French) country name, postal inscription, value and commemorative inscriptions. The latter reads: "Asia-African Festival, Cairo, July, 1956".

The high value shows a globe, again featuring the map of the areas involved, with an Olympic torch in the background and a dove with a laurel branch in the foreground, with same inscriptions as on the low value.

Installation Banquet For Inglewood Club

The recently elected officers of the Inglewood, Calif. Philatelic Club will be installed at a dinner on December 1 in Los Angeles.

These officials are president Edward Wojnar; vice president Robert King; secretary Paul Boelzner; treasurer Joseph Good-year.

Regular meetings of the group are held at the Inglewood Recreation Center, 621 N. La Brea Ave. in Inglewood on the first and third Tuesdays.

Charter Meeting For GPS Newark Chapter

The final organization meeting of the new Newark Chapter of the Germany Philatelic Society will take place on Monday evening, November 12, at the Schwaben-halle, Springfield Ave., Newark, N.J.

All philatelists interested in German stamps are invited to attend. This meeting will be the last opportunity to be accepted as a chapter member. Further information can be secured from Siegfried Simon, 863 S. 15th St., Newark, N.J.

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Subscribers will receive their copies as usual. However, since there will be an extra large amount of informative and interesting reading matter, readers might want to send copies to their friends. There will also be a tremendous number of fine offers of stamps, covers, supplies, accessories, catalogs and other philatelic material by the nation's foremost stamp dealers.

Requests for copies of the November 12 ASDA Special edition and 15c payment can be sent to Linn's Weekly Stamp News, Sidney, Ohio.

Interesting New Brazilian Stamps

October provided collectors of the stamps of Brazil a rather full month as far as new items are concerned. Two of them will make an immediate hit with "Stamps on Stamps" topicalists for that is just what their designs have.



A red brown 2.50Cr notes the 100th anniversary of the birth of Barao da Bocaina. It was released on October 8. In its design is a portrait of the subject and a winged letter on which are a stamp and postmark plus the word "EXPRESS".

On October 12, to note "Columbus Day" Brazil borrowed a design from Panama. It is one of the series of 25 stamps which the latter nation issued some weeks ago for the Conference of Pan American Presidents which convened at Panama City.



The entire stamp, with the portrait of Brazilian president Dr. Juscelino Kubitschek is reproduced within a decorative border, in green and black. The new denomination is 3.30Cr.

Brazil went all out in its philatelic tribute to pioneer aviator Santos Dumont on the 50th anniversary of his first flight with a heavier-than-air plane. Five commemoratives and a souvenir sheet were released besides which the Ministry of Communications hosted a stamp exhibition of some of the outstanding airmail collections in the world.

Three United States citizens took their displays to Rio de Janeiro for the show - Henry Goodkind, Mrs. Louise Hoffman and Samuel Rodvien.

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According to Manoel F. da Motta of Rio de Janeiro a special first day cancel was applied to covers bearing the stamps on October 16. It had an outline drawing of the Dumont plane besides the date and dedicatory wording.



Mr. da Motta advises that there was also a souvenir sheet containing four perforated copies of the 3Cr. However, the color of these differed from the regular sheet stamp in that it was maroon.

Around the four sides in French, Spanish, Portuguese and English is an inscription which states, "50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FIRST FLIGHT OF THE HEAVIER THAN AIR".

At the stamp exhibition, which lasted from October 14 to 23, a special cachet was used.

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50th Anniversary Joint Rule Noted

October 20 was the release date for the commemoratives noting the 50th anniversary of the existence of the New Hebrides islands as a condominium.



Denominations were 5c, 10, 20c and 50c. One set was inscribed in the English language, the other in French since France and Great Britain both share the governing power.

The two low values of each set feature a ship and a map of the New Hebrides, symbolizing the discovery of the territory in 1606.

The other pair has a representation of "Britannia" and "La Marianne" indicative of the joint government.

Printing was by photogravure at the plant of Harrison & Sons, Ltd. of England by photogravure. The French came on "R.F." watermarked paper, and the English on "CA Script".

CPS Makes Meroni Honorary Member

Recognition of an outstanding philatelic specialist and student of the Chicago area was made at the banquet of the Chicago Philatelic Society on November 3 at the Congress Hotel. He is Charles F. Meroni, foremost postal history collector. The banquet climaxed the annual exhibition of the club.

Mr. Meroni was elected an honorary member of the CPS, one of the few to date to be so recognized. At the banquet he was presented with a gold membership card.

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It was written by Edgar Lewy of London whose articles on various subjects have appeared in Linn's from time to time.

Mr. Lewy makes a lavish use of illustrations to emphasize his points, comparing British Commonwealth issues with each other, and using outstanding examples of foreign stamp design to indicate what might have been for the British concept.

His critical remarks, for and against the material under scrutiny, should help the uninitiated to get a fair knowledge of what makes a pleasing stamp picture.

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A Philatelic Mystery

A Mr. Stanley W. Hope of Jones Town, P. O., St. Andrews, Jamaica has sent me five copies of one of the WAR STAMP overprints of Jamaica. The stamps are Scott No. MR9, or Gibbons No. 75. As is well known to most specialists in the stamps of Jamaica there are numerous minor varieties in this overprint. These are principally varieties having to do with what the catalogues call a "stop", meaning a "period" being misplaced.



GEORGE W. LINN

After examining the stamps in question, just five copies, I am wondering by what method the overprinting was done. I also question the name "stop" or "period" for I do not believe that any "stop" or "period" has been used on these stamps.

I would prefer to call it a "dot", a "dot" of some nature altho the location of the mark leaves one with the belief that it could be the head of a tack.

It is for this reason that I am perplexed as to the method by which these overprints have been applied.

The natural and easiest way would have been to set Linotype slugs or to set the overprints on a Monotype Machine. The other way would have been to make electrotypes or stereotypes. The latter is an undesirable method and the one most likely used as it would be the poorest way to do the work on account of the softness and brittleness of the metal.

We note in the catalogues mention such as "S inserted by hand" or "stop inserted and P impressed a second time." Now if any letters were inserted by hand this means that either a Monotype was used as this would be the simpler way in which any letters could be inserted by hand. Linotype slugs could have been cut in two and a letter inserted, but this would hardly be done. Certainly if any letters were inserted, by hand then an electrotypes or a stereotype could not have been used.

However, as I have stated I am perplexed as to just what method was used in making these overprints because they have all the earmarks of being from electrotypes, yet why resort to such a method when the Linotype or the Monotype would have been the most simple and least expensive method. Now I have said that these overprints have all the earmarks as being from electrotypes. This is true in regard to the dots that appear in between some of the letters. I am calling them dots because they can not be an ordinary "stop" or "period" as they are called in the catalogues. A stop or period must line up with the base of the letters. These dots are between letters and rest midway between the top and bottom of a letter or may be right in the letter itself.

From Mr. Hope I have five copies of this stamp as per numbers mentioned. One is with the dot between the T and the A of STAMP. This same overprint shows one of these dots squarely in the center of the lower central points of the letter M. Another stamp shows a dot between the W and A of WAR and this dot is midway between the top and bottom of the letters.

It is impossible that the dots referred to above can be stops or periods. The logical belief would be that these overprints were electrotypes and that the dots are the heads of tacks, yet this would be such a foolish way to have done the job of overprinting these stamps that I can hardly believe this is the solution.

To me, these stamps present a mystery that is quite interesting. It may be that someone, somewhere, has solved this problem, but if they have I do not believe that either of the catalogues reveal the solution. The only book I have on Jamaica is the old Melville Book and of course, this book was published before these stamps were issued. I believe the solution as to what has caused these dots would be a very interesting study.

An Auction Buyer's Comment

Commenting on our editorial of October 15 as regards the sale of a 10c 1847 cover for over \$400 at auction, and which cover was said to be a fake for which the auction house refused to refund because the terms of sale were not complied with, Mr. T. W. Ward of Fallbrook, Calif. has this to say.

"You state in your editorial that you believe the auction house which sold the cover is within its rights in refusing adjustment. Perhaps so technically; but ethically it is something else." "I must apologize for making this letter so long, but I did want to make clear one collector's opinion. Those of us who buy at mail auctions cannot see the stamps and so are dependent entirely on the auctioneer's statements. If we can not rely on those, it is unsafe to bid. I do not blame any auctioneer for being taken in by a forgery or fake, but I do not believe that the loss should be passed on to the buyer no matter how long it takes him to discover the fraud."

This is but one of several letters commenting on this matter but Mr. Ward seems to express best the general opinion. We of course subscribe to this also. Our editorial was based merely on the technical side of the matter but as is expressed above, we believe that the ethical side is the one that should be followed, for these things can cause dissatisfaction that can do much damage to the auction business. I could have quoted the entire letter from Mr. Ward wherein he points out similar incidents principally by British auction houses and by some that were Coin dealers, wherein refunds have been made after many months after a sale, one involving a sum of \$280 for a gold coin which was declared a fake.

Some More On The Same

In my own humble opinion, Mr. Stanley B. Ashbrook, of Fort Thomas, Ky. is the best informed man and has more knowledge about early U. S. stamps and early U. S. Postal History, than anyone else in the world. Mr. Ashbrook has made this his life study and has a library and laboratory unequaled anywhere, relative to these subjects.

When I first learned of Lot Number 152 in the H. R. Harmer, 2nd sale of the Caspary stamps, and the final claim that the cover was a fake which was sold to . . . for a sum of over \$400, I tried to prevail upon Mr. Ashbrook to induce the buyer to demand a refund of his money and to make the matter public. This, either Mr. Ashbrook or the buyer refused to do.

My mention of this sale in my editorial of October 15th has brought some reaction from Mr. Ashbrook which is worthy of commenting on. As is well known to a great many collectors, especially that group that is able to buy and does buy fine quality, higher priced stamps, that Mr. Ashbrook maintains a letter service through which he issues what he terms the "ASHBROOK SPECIAL SERVICE" letter which covers subjects relative to our early stamps. In the letter of November 1,

SMILEATELICS . . . Bob Rieker



" . . . and just what are you using to moisten your stamp hinges?"

"Butterfield" Covers Wanted For Display

In June of 1957, the Oklahoma Overland Mail Centennial Committee is planning to present to the American people, an exhibition dealing with a great event in our history. Next year will mark the 100th anniversary of the signing of a contract between the federal government and John Butterfield.

This contract provided that the latter was to carry the U. S. mail over an all-weather route from St. Louis, Mo., and Memphis, Tenn. to San Francisco, Calif. Since part of this route ran through the then Choctaw Nation, (present southeastern Oklahoma) the committee is planning an exhibition, which among other things, will show covers carried by the Butterfield stage between 1858 and 1860, and bearing either Oklahoma or Texas markings.

It is understood that many of these covers are scattered in collections throughout the country and the Oklahoma Overland Mail Committee would like to hear from those collectors who would be willing to show their material next June. Further details can be had by writing the assistant to the chairman Gaspare Signor-elli, 1173 E. 51st St., Brooklyn 34, N. Y.

Brooklyn Group Host To Women's Society

What should be one of the outstanding programs of the year will take place November 12 when the Flatbush Philatelic Club is host to the Womens' International Stamp Club at the former's usual meeting place, Beverly Rd. and E. 19th St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

Planned are many surprises. The evening will conclude with the serving of refreshments. All interested persons are invited to be present.

1956 Mr. Ashbrook makes some comment concerning this particular cover as well as other faked covers which he has examined. I think that since he has made this matter public, through his Special Service Letter that we might comment on it here and quote what he has to say.

"AGAIN THE 10c '47 KALAMAZOO COVER"

"A FRAUDULENT COVER IN THE CASPARY SALE"

"In an editorial by George W. Linn in Linn's Weekly Stamp News, issue of October 15, the writer discussed this unfortunate incident whereby a prominent specialist in the 1847 Issue suffered a loss of over \$400 because of the refusal of the lawyers handling the Estate to refund the purchase price. Mr. Linn made this comment, quote 'The whole fault is with the buyer who should have made his claim according to the terms of the sale and it is beyond question that he would have been granted extra time to try to authenticate the item.' (unquote) That statement is true but the fact is that the buyer never for a second suspected there was anything wrong with the cover. He was well satisfied with his purchase and it never occurred to him to ask for time to investigate the cover. It was not until my thorough investigation proved the cover to be a 'faked item' that he realized he had purchased a faked item. The fact remains that regardless of the terms of the sale, the Caspary Estate had not been settled, that this cover was sold by the Estate as genuine—the buyer surely bought it as such—and it is thoroughly dishonest on the part of the Estate to refuse to refund the buyer's money which was obtained through misrepresentation."

Mr. Ashbrook then goes on to relate incidents wherein the late Dan Kelleher of Boston sold a certain 30c 1869 cover in the Emerson sale and many months after the sale the cover was pronounced fraudulent and Mr. Kelleher refunded the purchase price.

Incidentally this same 30c 1869 cover is a feature of the Herst sale to be sold at FLOREX in West Palm Beach. It has been pronounced genuine by the Philatelic Foundation Expert Committee, yet Mr. Ashbrook brands it a fake.

Commenting further on the ethics of auction houses Mr. Ashbrook refers to the late Percy Doane with these words. "The late Percy Doane was also that way and he never stood on any printed 'Terms of Sale' in his catalogues. Percy had a reputation for honest and ethical dealings that was absolutely beyond reproach. Perhaps times have changed and 'Terms of Sale' are of far more importance today than ethical dealings."

This of course leaves us right in the position we took at the beginning of this discussion. Technically, the Estate was within its rights, based on Terms of Sale, but Ethically and Morally the Estate is wrong and practicing this kind of business will in the end bring injury to the auction trade, far greater than the amount involved.

More Album Weeds

Part Three of the reprinted edition of Album Weeds which is being made in Australia and is being handled in this country by Janet Van Den Berg, is now ready. This volume covers countries from Dominica to Iceland. This edition is sent postpaid for \$2.25. Address Janet van den Berg, Box 146, Worthington, Ohio.

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A general hobby show in which philately will play a prominent part is announced by the Hawthorne Stamp Club of Chicago.

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1956 STAMP PROGRAM
November 9—3c King Salmon, Seattle, Wash. (50 per pane, 120 million).

November 16—4c and 8c International Postal Cards, New York, N. Y.

3c Childrens Friendship. Time and place not announced.

ALREADY ISSUED

1032—Mount Vernon 1/2c, Mt. Vernon, Va., February 22.

1038 — Woodrow Wilson 7c, Staunton, Va., January 10.

1040—Alamo 9c, San Antonio, Texas, June 14.

1041 — Independence Hall 10c, Philadelphia, Pa., July 4.

1042—Monticello 20c, Charlottesville, Va., April 13.

1047 — Hamilton \$5, Paterson, N. J., March 19.

1073—Ben Franklin 3c, Philadelphia, Pa. January 17.

1074—Booker T. Washington 3c, Booker Washington Birthplace, Va., April 5.

1075 — FIPEX 11c Souvenir Sheet, April 28, New York, N. Y.

1076 — FIPEX 3c, New York, N. Y., April 30.

1077 — Wild Turkey 3c, Fond du Lac, Wis., May 5.

1078 — Antelope 3c, Gunnison, Colo., June 22.

1080 — Pure Food Law 3c, Washington, D. C., June 27.

1081—3c Wheatland, Lancaster, Pa., August 5.

1082 — 3c Labor Day, Camden, N. J., September 3.

1083—3c Nassau Hall, Princeton, N. J., September 22.

1084—3c Devils Tower, Devils Tower, Wyo., September 24.

UC-24—FIPEX 6c airmail envelope, New York, N. Y., May 2.

UX-44—FIPEX 2c postal card, New York, N. Y., May 4.

UNITED NATIONS

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Last week I wrote about taking advantage of the two international postal cards which will be issued at the ASDA National Postage Stamp Show in New York City November 16. I have since learned that the post office will not address each individual card but will return them unaddressed, but cancelled, inside a penalty envelope which will require no postage.

That will then require some preparation in advance to be able to mail such cards abroad. The one way in which out-of-towners could get the cards handled by the postal people for their friends in other countries would be with the use of address labels.

These can be purchased at most stationery stores, and have either a rubber cement backing, or a gum which must be wetted to make for adhesion. The rubber cement type would be the best as the moisture used with the other would warp the card.

Type the names and addresses on the labels and then send them to the Postmaster, New York 1, N.Y. with a request they be affixed to the cards.

The single postal is a one-way affair and costs 4c. The double reply one costs 8c and can be addressed to you by your foreign correspondent and returned with no further addition of postage. This will be an opportunity of getting the first day postmark, and a foreign postmark on the double cards.

Of course, if you will be present at the ASDA Show you can do your addressing as you want.

1. Do you know on what denominations of the 1922-23 regular postage series these designs appeared — U.S. Capitol; Niagara Falls; American Bison; Lincoln Memorial; "America"; Golden Gate; Arlington Amphitheatre?

2. On what denomination of this same series did Martha Washington appear?

It's time to go over the FIPEX Souvenir Sheet again. I have previously covered small differences which seem to get collectors all steamed up in believing they have a scarce item.

Each week I receive at least ten letters which tell me that the correspondent has a souvenir sheet with a blue tint, or a red, or a purple, or is just bone white without any tint.

To explain this we must look briefly at what is involved in printing on engraved plates. The plate has the lines of the design cut into it. Its surface is smooth and shiny. Ink is applied to this plate and forced into the incised lines. Ink remaining on the smooth surface is wiped off completely leaving only that in the lines and dots engraved into the plate.

The paper is then applied to the inked printing plate and forced into the ink-filled incisions. The ink adheres to the paper and thus forms the design.

Now very seldom is it possible to remove all traces of the ink from the shiny surface of the plate. On the old-fashioned flat bed presses the operator removed such surplus by rubbing it off with his bare hands. On the fast rotary press this wiping is done automatically with a special kind of paper which is drawn across the plate after it has been inked, all at high speed.

Traces of ink which are not wiped off get printed onto the paper. This makes what should be white area, have a tint.

Thus you will find the FIPEX sheet with a reddish, purplish or bluish cast, or a combination of two or three of the colors. Or you will also find a white without any tints whatsoever.

All these are just run-of-the-mill copies and are nothing more valuable than face.

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Such a pane, with a wide spacing of the stamps, is shown on this page along with a normal one. You will note that the 3c is quite a bit to the left and into the red ornamentation. I'd say that it would be worth a little extra in value not as a variety, which it isn't, but as a freak.

It is the property of Henry J. Hupp, Route 1, Box 4, Glen Burnie, Md. He found it with his purchase made from the Philatelic Agency in Washington.

Harold C. Luckstone, Jr. of New York City has some comment about the recent words here on unsolicited approvals. He says —

"Re your column U.S. Notes, October 22, I would like to follow your advice on what to do with unwanted, and unrequested approvals! However, I believe that you have given your readers a 'bum steer' here!

"Although I am not a lawyer, my brother is — and he and I have had discussions and done research on just that subject. Unfortunately, he is now in Texas in the Army.

"The recipient of unwanted, and unrequested merchandise has no responsibility to return this merchandise, nor even to inform the sender that the merchandise has been received. (If the sender desires the merchandise returned, it will have to be at his expense). However, the recipient can not use the merchandise, can not destroy it, can not give it away. If he does he is legally liable to pay the sender for it. Furthermore, his responsibility (inequitable as it may

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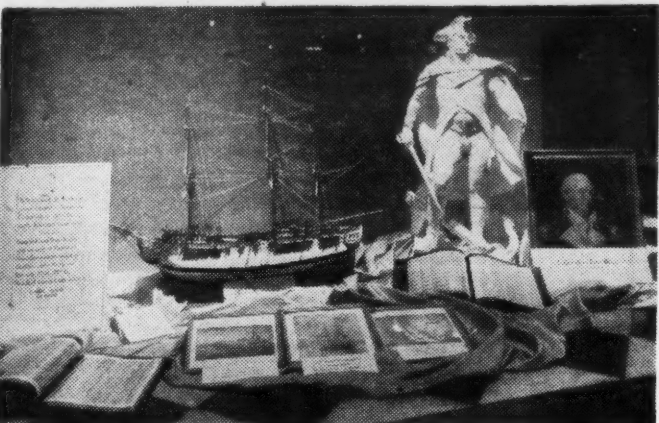
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UN Human Rights Day, December 10

The United Nations Postal Administration announced that the first day of issue of the set commemorating Human Rights Day will be December 10.

The stamps are in the 3c and 8c denominations, and were designed by Rashid ud-Din of UN Graphic Presentation. The common design depicts a flame, symbolizing human rights, illuminating the globe.

A printing order for three and a half million 3c red and two and a quarter million 8c blue stamps has been placed with the manufacturer, Thomas de la Rue and Co. Ltd. of London, England. The stamps will be horizontal, measuring 27 mm x 40 mm, and will be issued in sheets of 50, with marginal inscriptions reading "Human Rights 1956" appearing twice at the top and twice at the bottom of each sheet.

The stamps will be placed on sale at face value at UN Headquarters, New York and at the European Office of the UN in Geneva at the prices established for that office on December 10. In London, the stamps will be available to dealers only, against payment in sterling.

Detailed instructions as to the procedure for obtaining first day covers of the new stamps are:

1. First day service is only given at Headquarters, New York, against payment in U.S. dollars.
2. Persons desiring first day cancellations of the stamps may send in a reasonable number of addressed, unstamped envelopes to the UN Postal Administration, United Nations, New York.
3. The outside envelope must be clearly marked "First Day Covers — Human Rights."
4. Remittance to cover the cost of the stamps to be affixed must be enclosed in either money order or certified check. Personal checks will not be accepted, nor will postage stamps. Customers are urged not to send cash through the mail.
5. The denomination and quantity of stamps to be affixed should be clearly marked in pencil in the upper right-hand corner of each envelope.
6. A filler of medium weight should be placed in each envelope, with flap turned in. A poor cover might result if no filler is provided.
7. Requests for marginal inscriptions will be filled as far as possible, depending upon the number of marginal inscriptions available. On the other hand, the normal UN Postal Administration requirements concerning the number of stamps which

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A special cancellation has been authorized by the Post Office Department for use during the American First Day Cover Society's first annual convention at New York City's Collectors Club, 22 E. 35th St., November 10-11. For the event, a set of three attractively cacheted envelopes has been prepared.

The covers, with cachets in red, blue and sepia, are being sold at 10c each, or 25c for the set of three (autographed by the convention chairman: 15c each, 40c the set). This includes stamps (commemoratives used), addressing and mailing with the special cancellation.

Due to house regulations of The Collectors Club, there will be no sale of the covers at the convention. Orders for the covers should be sent to Bernard Ring, 283 E. Fifth St., Brooklyn 18, N.Y.

A feature of the two-day convention will be a showing of selected portions of James A. Farley's world-famous collection of autographed first day covers. Formed when Mr. Farley was Postmaster-General of the United States, the collection is being loaned to the AFDCS by Washington, D.C.'s Smithsonian Institution, where it is kept.

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There are some mighty red faces in England these days! The new 1957 Commonwealth Catalogue for the first time lists Canadian pre-cancelled QEII stamps, the highest quotation shown being \$1 for the 1c, Scott #325, overprinted with three pairs of thin lines. This listing led some philatelic writers to comment that they had thought this precancel a dandy little item all along and how much difficulty they had encountered in securing their copy.

It now turns out that there never was such a precancel! At the risk of rubbing it in, if this stamp does not exist how did the Commonwealth editors arrive at the figure of \$1?

A Scottish Member of Parliament has asked the British Postmaster-General to issue a commemorative in honor of Robert Burns' birthday on January 25. To anyone familiar with British policy regarding G. B. commemoratives, it will come as no surprise that this suggestion will not bear fruit. Of all countries, Russia recently released a Robert Burns pictorial!

Scott's listings on the Gibraltar KGVI set #107-17 are worse than useless, but many an alert collector has turned this to his advantage when rummaging through the stock of a dealer who does not possess a Gibbons or Commonwealth catalogue. An uninformed dealer may well sell you some of the good varieties on the basis of Scott's and here are some of the buys that can be gotten if you are not only persistent, but also lucky:

Scott #109, perf 13 1/2 mint; London retail \$10.

#110, perf 13 1/2 mint, watermark sideways, a scarce coil stamp; London retail \$75.

#111, perf 14 mint, London retail \$6; the same item used, London retail \$2.

#112, perf 14 mint, London retail \$6; the same item used London retail \$1.25.

#113, perf 14 mint, London retail \$3; the same item used, London retail \$1.75 (this isn't a bad item perf 13 1/2 either, selling at \$1.50 mint and 75c used).

#114, perf 13 1/2 or 14 mint, London retail \$5; the same item used, either perforation, \$3.

#115, perf 14 mint or used, London retail \$8; the same item perf 13 1/2, mint or used, \$2.50.

#116, perf 14 mint or used, London retail \$5.

The London magazine "Stamp Collecting" recently published the following interesting little story by its Pacific correspondent T. C. Lonie about the Tokelau Islands. "Collectors in Britain have wondered why registered letters from the Tokelau Islands bear local cancellations but the Apia, Western Samoa, registration label. This, I am sure, is because there are no registration facilities at Tokelau. When postal facilities operate at all, it is only for about six times a year. The number is a little variable, depending on the availability of a small ship to go. The difficulty was underlined by the tragic disappearance of the Joyita last year. Then there is a very occasional special air flight by the R.N.Z.A.F., usually to take up officials for inspection, but mails are carried on these flights. So postal duties must be left to persons who are poorly qualified to do any business.

"Perhaps the work will be done by the local wireless operator (a post maintained to enable urgent messages—say, re health), but not always. The old 1/2d. has a picture of a house in the background, and in just such a one on this same atoll I once saw the "postmaster" sitting like the figure in the foreground of the stamp conducting business—at least, I think that was what he was doing!

"He had one or two exercise books, one of the them containing some stamps. I wanted to buy about a £1 worth of these, and sent for them. My money came back with a message to the effect that he hadn't enough stamps, and not enough change. The fact is that the Postmaster at Apia, because of the lack of facilities, keeps stamp stocks in the Tokelau at a strict minimum. Why stamps, then?

"Well, I think the answer is largely political. Samoan stamps could not be used as Samoa is a Trust Territory and the Tokelau a direct New Zealand Dependency, but quite different from either Niue or the Cook Islands, many hundreds of miles away. I don't think, however, that the N.Z. Government ever really considered the stamps as a source of revenue. The answer, I think, was that some postal arrangements were required; some stamps were required.

"Three values were printed, and the whole business forgotten until first the Coronation one came in because every other N.Z. dependency had one, and finally the 1/- surcharges because a keen young man recently appointed Tokelau Officer really wanted to boost a native handicraft industry with a parcel post outlet. Unfortunately, he disappeared in the Joyita."

Thank you for some fascinating comments about this little-known territory, Mr. Lonie!

There are surprisingly many lady dealers in the British stamp trade, including some substantial operators. Their advertisements often show a distinctive touch that cannot fail to attract attention.

A few weeks ago we mentioned the use of bi-colored British 2d postage dues due to a temporary shortage of 1d dues. A cover of this nature just fetched 10 pounds, \$28 at a H. R. Harmer London auction.

India is considering two commemorative stamps or sets of stamps for 1957: One to mark the centenary of the Indian Mutiny, the other to honor the centenaries of the Universities of Bombay, Calcutta and Madras, all founded in 1857.

Always remember that the market value of used QEII Pound values is subject to a great deal of variation. For example, while a nice copy of Aden's top value is a sound buy at full face value, \$2.80, even though used and current, Pound stamps of populous and commercially active colonies such as Nigeria or Sierra Leone can be picked for around half face value or a little above that.

The second-rarest KGVI variety and by all odds the rarest item in this field that is not classified as an error, Grenada Scott #136, 2 1/2d ultramarine mint, was recently sold in London for \$406! Be-

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fore you order a bottle of champagne to celebrate the fact that you, too, have a copy, better make sure first that yours, too, is perforated 13 1/2 x 12 1/2! Issued in March of 1950, this has long been a widely discussed rarity in England.

Used copies are occasionally on the market for about \$30. A used copy of another rarity, Egypt Scott #124, the 50p Port Fuad, recently changed hands in London at \$125—and well worth it!

Here is a complete checklist of Great Britain Offices QEII low values with the new St. Edward's Crown watermark up to and including October 1. These are all overprints on Scott types A126 to A132:

Bahrain 4 annas, and 12 annas; Kuwait 1/2 anna, 1 1/2 annas, 2 annas, 2 1/2 annas, and 12 annas; Muscat 2 annas, 2 1/2 annas, and 1 rupee; Morocco 5 centimos and 40c; Tangier 1/2d, 1d, 2d, and 4d.

On the occasion of our first anniversary in this space, we recently asked our readers for their comments and suggestions. We gratefully acknowledge a big stack of mail in response to our request. We are still sifting through these postcards and letters and will shortly analyze reader reaction towards this column. A number of sound proposals for the improvement of our Review have been received and are being given the closest possible attention. Our sincere thanks to the hundreds of you who took the trouble to drop us a line.

See you next week!

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6	5/10	8.00	3.00	104	50c	.10	.03
7	5/25	2.50	.50	105	60c	.05	.05
8	5c	.60	.60	106	65c	.10	.10
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118	10/75c	.60	.60
119	05/20c	.08	.08
120	05/20c	.08	.08
121	05/30c	.08	.08
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123	10/50c	.10	.10
124	10/75c	.60	.60
125	10/75c	1.50	1.50
126	0.30/40c	.05	.05
127a	60/75c Invert	2.50	.08
128	1f/5f	.10	.10
129	1 cent/15c	.03	.03
130	25/15c	.05	.05
131	25/2f	.05	.05
132	25/5f	.05	.05
133	60/75c	.07	.06
134	65/75c	.06	.06
135	85/45c	.07	.07
136	90/75c	.07	.07
137	1.25/1f	.08	.10
138	1.50/1f	.10	.04
139	3f/5f	.35	.35
140	10f/5f	.40	.40
141	20f/5f	.60	.60

1930-44 Pictorials.

142	5f	.45	.35
143	5f	.45	.35
144	5f	.45	.35
145	10f/5f	.40	.40
146	20f/5f	.60	.60

1945-56 1c to 40c.

147	56c	.05	.05
148	65c	.05	.05
149	75c	.05	.05
150	90c	.05	.05
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1948-WHAT DID IT COST?
PART VIII

1948 - This is the big year. If many of you are familiar with the overtures of Rossini's operas, the great Italian composer, you will recall from his brilliant and melodic overtures that many of them start out gently sweetly and softly. So was the beginning of 1948. Insofar as the Post Office Department was concerned this might have been another ordinary year, with a reasonable average output of new commemoratives. All the issues that will be discussed in the first part of this year proceeded in the manner of the normal, quiet and average year. In terms of what is to follow in later sections of the 1948 issues, we will finally reach a crescendo that will begin in the middle of the year and reach its height in the last couple months, as in the climax of Rossini's moving and stirring overtures.

In presenting the cost analysis of this year, we will try to present just about all the pertinent data to give you as much of a picture as possible. This time we are including the first dates of issue, as well as the number of impressions printed from each plate. The latter can be helpful, to some degree, in that it helps account for the rise and value in price of certain commemoratives over others. As we go along, the symptoms will become more pronounced.

Here is the first group of stamps of 1948. We will attempt to discuss briefly, and point out some of the most conspicuous highlights in my extensive experience with them.

SC#953 - 3c G. W. Carver-January 5 1948 - Tuskegee Institute, Ala.

Pl. No. 23653-112,648 impressions

Pl. No. 23654-112,648 "

Pl. No. 23655-118,146 "

Pl. No. 23664-118,145 "

SC#954 - 3c Gold Discovery-January 24, 1948 - Coloma, Calif.

Pl. No. 23772-117,450 impressions

Pl. No. 23773-117,450 "

Pl. No. 23774-108,096 "

Pl. No. 23775-119,750 "

Pl. No. 23776-119,750 "

Pl. No. 23777-108,096 "

SC#955 - 3c Mississippi-April 7, 1948 - Natchez, Miss.

Pl. No. 23802-115,795 impressions.

Pl. No. 23803-101,893 "

Pl. No. 23804-115,794 "

Pl. No. 23805-106,349 "

Pl. No. 23806-106,349 "

Pl. No. 23807-101,892 "

SC#956 - 3c Four Chaplains-May 28, 1948 - Washington, D.C.

Pl. No. 23819-112,900 impressions

Pl. No. 23820-112,899 "

Pl. No. 23821-106,650 "

Pl. No. 23822-106,650 "

Pl. No. 23825-96,446 "

Pl. No. 23826-96,448 "

SC#957 - 3c Wisconsin-May 29, 1948 - Madison, Wis.

Pl. No. 23812-166,176 impressions

Pl. No. 23813-149,394 impressions

Pl. No. 23814-166,174 "

Pl. No. 23816-149,394 "

SC#958 - 5c Swedish Pioneers-June 4, 1948 - Chicago, Ill.

Pl. No. 23829-99,399 impressions

Pl. No. 23830-99,400 "

Pl. No. 23831-75,999 "

Pl. No. 23832-76,000 "

SC#959 - 3c Progress of Women-July 19, 1948 - Seneca Falls, New York.

Pl. No. 23841-169,999 impressions

Pl. No. 23842-169,999 "

Pl. No. 23843-145,599 "

Pl. No. 23844-145,599 "

It would do well to study the number of impressions on the various plate numbers. In the above group there is nothing of an unusual nature. The number of impressions in most are about normal, give or take a few thousand one way or the other, which on the whole makes no impressive difference to the collector or dealer.

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able that on the Swedish Pioneers, being a 5c denomination and receiving considerably less use in the mails, the number of impressions, although appearing smaller than the rest of the issues listed today, it is still quite a bit more in terms of how long they would last before being consumed.

When as many impressions are printed as you see for these, a difference of 25,000 from one pair of plates to another is hardly enough to make the plate numbers from the lower group scarcer than those which had the larger number of impressions. The reason is that there are so many plate blocks available of the smaller printing that the only difference is that the plates that had the larger were merely more plentiful than the others.

Now for some highlights on centering. This is the best time to explain a point which, in my opinion, all good and serious plate block collectors should know and with which they should be more familiarized. This is a situation that plagues many collectors who are excessively centering conscious, and in a larger sense the plate block dealer who is the beneficiary of many of these complaints, much to his chagrin and his helpless position to relieve the collector and himself.

What I want to do is to bring to your attention the outstanding and glaring examples where specific numbers and positions were consistently coming through off center and in other instances where the general centering condition of some stamps are well below the average and normal standard expected from these commemoratives.

Perhaps what may be of interest to most is on what basis these observations have been made. It is one thing to read information that would be of interest to you and that which you may care to know. You may want to know the degree of reliability of this information and on the extent of experience involved so that you may know what brought about these conclusions.

First of all, I can tell you that the observations came from selected sheets out of the Philatelic Agency. Secondly, we handled from 400 to 500 sheets, and upwards in some cases, of each position, in every plate number, of every stamp. (To be continued next week)

Six For Chiang's
70th Birthday

For president Chiang Kai-shek's 70th birthday the Republic of China released a set of six commemoratives, and 25 postcards.

The former all have various portraits of the president adapted from photographs taken by Hu Chung-hsien, while one of the cards has Chiang's portrait and the remaining two dozen various scenic views of places in China.

The first day of issue was October 31.

Denominations, in China dollars and cents, and colors are—20c orange, 40c crimson, \$1 blue, \$1.60 magenta, \$2 brown, \$8 turquoise. (The Chinese dollar equals 4 7/10ths cents U. S.)

Printing is the work of Harrison & Sons, Ltd. of London, England by photogravure in sheets of 100 on unwatermarked, gummed paper.

List No. 3 with stamps and other material at face plus return postage is now available from the Directorate General of Posts, Philatelic Service, Taipei, Formosa.

INTERNATIONAL MUSEUM
(Continued from page 1)

memoratives. The helmet is identified as "Helmet of a Syrian Legionnaire" at the bottom of the stamp.



The 50 piaster sepi features the lintel of the Temple of the Sun at Palmyra. Palmyra is the ruined Syrian desert capital of the meteoric Empire of the Fabulous Zenobia, Queen of the East, in the 1st century A.D. At this lush oasis a

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The lintel of the Temple of the Sun shows an Egyptian-type hawk flanked by two Roman eagles, identified at the bottom as "Lintel of the Temple of Bel Shamin (Palmyra)". This is one of the show pieces of the mysterious city of ruins today.

Palmyra was finally overrun and destroyed by Emperor Aurelian after Zenobia had temporarily fled from him the whole Roman Orient as well as Egypt, and had proclaimed herself Empress of the East, with her son Wahab Allat as co-sovereign.

These are only a smattering of Syria's rich archaeological treasure trove, and we fondly hope that future international Museum Week festivals may inspire additional stamps showing more of the country's outstanding museum pieces.

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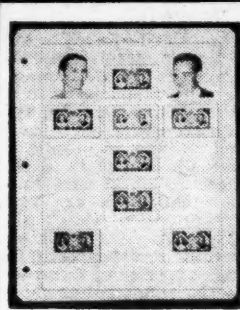
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News From The Three Germanies

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Schumann Stamp From East Embodies Error

Someone in East Germany made a fatal blunder — a blunder moreover which was not discovered until it was too late. On July 21 the postal authorities released two attractive stamps for the centenary of the death of Robert Schumann, well-known composer.

Their design (by Kurt Sigler) shows a portrait of Schumann, in the background some bars of music.

But alas — the music is not by Schumann, it is by Schubert! To be precise, the notation, taken from a manuscript is a setting of Goethe's poem "Wanderers Nachtlied" (the night song of the wanderer), which was set to music in D-sharp by Schubert.

The text makes this perfectly clear, because the words visible on the musical interpretation clearly show the beginning of the Goethe text "Der Du . . . (von dem Himmel bist) Doppelt mit Entzücken (fullst)". There is no doubt about it.

To save any further blushes, the stamp was withdrawn, but promptly! It had a life of 48 hours, but in those two days, all trade orders and first day covers were looked after. So a fair quantity, perhaps about 25% of the total edition, is available.

Those Blocked Values

In my last column, I strongly denounced the East German system of quasi-compulsion, which virtually forced collectors to join the "Kulturbund" if they wished to obtain their own stamps. In fairness, I must here give (in translation) the reply from the East German export agency, to whom I had put a similar point of view. Over the signatures of Messrs. Wermuth and Zschoch, the "Deutsche Buch-Export und Import G.m.b.H." of Leipzig C.I., Leninstrasse 16, write:

"Referring to the so-called blocked values, we would like to state the following: It is hardly customary that the postal administration discusses with the philatelists of any country the proposed editions of their postage stamps. You yourself state that a printing of 750,000 copies is hardly a true restriction. In any event, the post office continues to supply all collectors who are registered at the philatelic service, and likewise all dealers. Thus there is no reason to believe that collectors are forced into membership of the 'Kulturbund'. Everywhere where stamps are collected, philatelic organizations exist, and one of these — no more — is represented by the Philatelic Section of the Kulturbund. In addition, the Kulturbund is an independent organization tied to no party."

I would have been glad to let this reply stand. However, two things must be made perfectly clear. First, that the restriction to 750,000 copies, whilst it may be adequate for small countries, is not enough to go around a 17 million population.

In addition, the real quarrel lies not with that figure, but with the restriction to three copies which the individual collector can obtain. There are something like 35,000 registered collectors, and possibly an equal number affiliated with other groups. Between them they would absorb about a quarter of a million stamps internally. The other two-thirds of the printing is set aside strictly for "hard currency" sales against a fabulously expensive rate of exchange.

Secondly, it may be very easy to claim, and prove on paper, that the Kulturbund is non-political or at least not affiliated to the ruling party in East Germany, which calls itself the S.E.D. — "Sozialistische Einheitspartei Deutschlands", or Socialist Unity Party of Germany.

It should however be made clear that as there is no effective

opposition to the government, all officially permitted organizations must of necessity be in accordance with the aims and objects of the government, which has the power to ban and destroy any which may fail to agree absolutely to its dictates.

Germany P. S. Issues Fine Magazine

From Werner W. Ruthenberg, 556 S. Lansdowne Ave., Yeadon, Pa. comes "The German Postal Specialist", the first number which has reached me. Not surprising since I only recently joined the German P. S. I must say it's a very well-produced and capable journal, and indeed it ought to be, for the Society is under the presidency of Major H. L. Halle, who has perhaps done more to propagate German philatelic affairs in the United States than anyone else.

I would just like to quote a few most significant sentences out of their "Fipex" report, addressed to (presumably disappointed) exhibitors. "Let me console some exhibitors of the newer materials or of specialized collections", writes "Weru".

"Remember the majority or nearly all members of the jury are old-time collectors who do not keep up with the times, and actually have very little knowledge of the newer issues, their history and their philatelic interest. Unfortunately also too many judges consider any material after 1900 as 'junk'."

It all goes to confirm what has been written in many a leader in this journal and elsewhere about "Fipex" and its doings. Frankly, I am not surprised.

Collecting Locals

Just to mention some pre-1900 material, on this page is a picture of an old-time German "Correspondence" card, a local delivery card of the "Letter and Printed Products Expedition Berlin". It came to me as a complete surprise, tucked away in a recent number of "Merkur", the journal of the "Association for Private Posts and Allied Collecting Subjects."

There were two of these, bequests left to the Association by a member, and they are presented free with issues of their magazine. And what a flavor these old cards have! One is printed with announcements on the reverse — "Best Pennsylvania Petroleum at cheapest prices", "W. Spindler's Laundry and Dye Works"; or "Otto Weber — specialist for mourning and half-mourning — large stock of black silk materials".

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Alas, the Thaler is no more, nor is the Reichsmark which succeeded it, the Rentenmark and new Reichsmark which came after, and the Deutschmarks — 23c apiece — are only a shadow of the substantial gold currency of yore. Those were the days when a mail carrier considered himself well-paid on 60 Marks a month — worth one assumes ten times that figure today.

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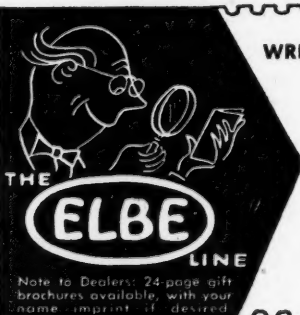
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THREE GERMANIES (Continued from page 10)

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Thematics Club

One of my readers, Mr. Pennigsdorf of Chicago — has written with a request to mention the existence of the newly created Foreign section and New Issue service of the "Deutscher Maximaphilatelistenclub". This group, associated with the German Philatelic Federation, looks after the interest of topicalists who are interested in keeping up-to-date on German matter.

Mr. Pennigsdorf writes: "The main purpose of the group is to promote and foster better understanding between our people through philately, by means of First Day Covers, Maximum Cards, and new issues from Germany and other European countries at nominal cost. There is no 'dealership' involved, since membership comprises collectors only, many of whom are paraplegics, and others whose sole enjoyment comes from philately. The organizer (Mr. Neef) is a paraplegic himself, a good friend and member of the German Philatelic Society here".

I am heartily glad to be able to publicize this appeal, because

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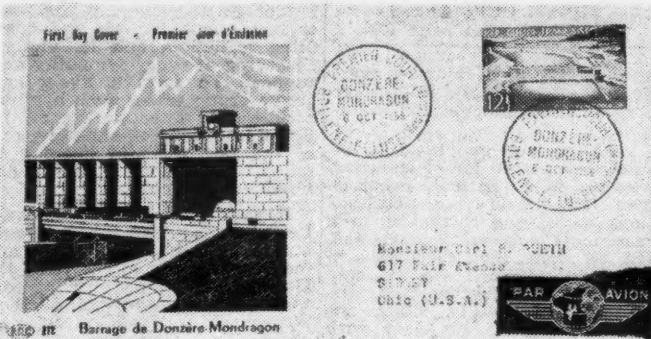
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NEW FRENCH POWERHOUSE. On October 6 France issued a 12fr blue and dark brown commemorative noting the completion of the Donzère-Mondragon Hydro-Electric plant. The design carries a birdseye view of the construction and the surrounding area. Special first day postmark was applied at Bollène-Ecluse. The cover was sent by Pierre A. Cubells, 2 Rue des Gravières, Soissons (Aisne), France.

German Area Fully Covered By Catalog

A pocket-size catalog which makes a complete general coverage of the stamps of Germany, States, Former Colonies and Occupation Zones is the "Deutschland Katalog for 1957." While not a specialized reference book, it does deal with a good many of the areas of interest not covered by the general reference books.

Agent in the U. S. is Karl Kroeger, 1457 Third St., Santa Monica, Calif. who has it at 60c postpaid—mint, full gum commems accepted in full payment.

Language is German, and the valuations are in Marks, the latter at what the publishers claim is the current net price of the item on the German market.

The illustrations are plentiful. Binding is between card covers. There are 240 pages.

Stamp Club Formed At Des Plaines, Ill.

The first meeting of the Northwestern Suburban Stamp Club was held at Rand Park field house in Des Plaines, Ill., on October 8. 21 charter members attended from various northwestern suburbs near Chicago.

The officers elected were Jan Blokland, president; James Kemper, vice president; Mrs. Edward Riefstahl, treasurer; and secretary, William Engdahl, 7900 Linder Ave., Morton Grove, Ill.

It was decided to meet on the second Monday of each month and to invite a series of speakers to talk on stamp subjects. It was also decided to be an open club available to every stamp collector desiring to attend.

Club's Annual Auction Coming December 5

One of the most looked forward to programs of the Williamsport, Pa. Stamp Club is the annual auction scheduled for the December 5 meeting at the YMCA. Lots will be supplied by the members.

Officers presently at the helm are president Dr. R. B. Tobias; vice president Ray Meckbach; treasurer William Weiss; secretary Harold Gottshall, 1009 Weldon St., Montoursville, Pa.

Meetings are held the first Wednesday of the month at the YMCA, and on the third Wednesday at the homes of members. Visitors are welcome.

Handy Manual For FD Cover Collectors

A publication which should be of interest to first day cover collectors is "The First Day Cover Manual" published and available from Artmaster, 3605 Brownsboro Rd., Louisville 7, Ky.

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A commemorative theme is included in that it is now 50 years since the last plenum of the Finnish Diet—a different form of representative legislature now exists. The four men represent the last Speakers of that Diet.

On the 5 markkas plus 1 markka is Pekka Aulin, speaker of the Estate of the Peasantry. The 10mk plus 2mk has Leonard von Pfaler, Estate of the Burgesses; 20mk plus 3mk Archbishop Gustaf Johansson, Estate of Clergy; 30mk plus 5mk Marshal Viktor Magnus von Born, Estate of the Nobility.

Engravers respectively, are R. Achren, S. Ronberg, E. Paakkari and B. Ekholm. The designer was Mrs. Signe Hammarsten-Jansson.

According to Martin Bostrom, Hertig Karlsalle 59B, Orebro, Sweden, there will be 500,000 of the two low denominations and 400,000 of the two high.

Honors Distributed At Austin Club Party

The 25th anniversary celebration which members of the Austin Philatelic Club staged on October 20 will long remain as a highspot in the group's annals. It was attended by more than seventy members and their wives, who enjoyed a banquet, singing and dancing.

Special events included a visit from SPA vice president Larry M. Edmunds who presented a honorary life membership card to Dr. Alfred Diamond, voted to him by the Society of Philatelic Americans at the group's recent convention in Grand Rapids, Mich.

The fabulous book "The Royal Philatelic Collection", by Sir John Wilson, was presented to Ben Reeves, junior past SPA prexy by L. C. Zang an Austin past president. The gift to Mr. Reeves was made possible by the many friends he has throughout the United States.

J. Elmer Zinsmeister, editor of the SPA Journal, and only living founder-member of the Austin club, was presented a memento in the form of a clock-radio by Dr. James J. Matejka. In making the presentation, Dr. Matejka, also a past president of Austin, awarded it "for keeping the club in the middle of the road, sometimes rocky, for 25 years".

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Chairman Mrs. Louise Boyd Dale graciously accepted this generous gift in the name of the Foundation. Other officers present were trustees John R. Boker Jr., George E. Burghard, director Winthrop S. Boggs and assistant to the chairman Ethel Harper.

In making this generous presentation Mr. Adler stated that his gesture was an expression of his desire that the Foundation be aided and encouraged in its efforts to create and foster interest in philatelic matters.

The collection will be known as the "Siegmund Adler" Collection of British North American Postage Stamps. It includes all the provinces and Newfoundland. A brief survey of its valuable contents reveals:

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NOVA SCOTIA: A delightful collection mainly used, with shades and blocks, and an outstanding copy of the 1851 1/- unused (Scott #7).

The collection will be a valuable addition to the Expert Committee Reference Collection, and will be made available to students for study purposes.

Money Order Service Possible With Vatican

The Post Office Department has announced that international money order service has been established with Vatican City.

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AUSTRALIA. Due to changes in the postal rates, a 4 pence stamp instead of a 3½d will be issued on October 31 for the Olympic Games. The 4d will be carmine and will show the Arms of the City of Melbourne. The other values of the Olympics will be: 7½d blue (Southern Cross and hand clasping the Olympic torch); 1/- brown blue, green, and yellow (Collins St.); 2/- blue, yellow, gray-violet, and rose (view of Melbourne from across the Yarra River).

CHINA (Communist). On October 1 four stamps were issued showing reproductions from bricks, of the Tung Han Period, which were recently excavated. The values are: 4 fen olive-green (salt production); 4 fen blue-gray (house building); 8 fen brown-gray (hunting and farming); and 8 fen purple-black (carrage and bridge).

CUBA. Honoring Benjamin Franklin, a 12c brown airmail was issued on October 5. The design bears a portrait of Franklin with a kite, printing press, cracked Liberty Bell, and the tower of Independence Hall.

ICELAND. The values of the "Northern Countries" stamps of this country are 1.50Kr. red and 1.75Kr. blue. They were released on October 30.

JAPAN. The Saikai National Park has been publicized with the issuance on October 1 of two stamps. One, a 5 yen reddish-brown shows the Osezaki Promontory, and the other, a 10 yen blue shows the Kujukushshima.

On October 1 a 10 yen lavender stamp was released commemorating the 500th anniversary of the founding of Tokyo. It shows a scene outside the Imperial Palace.

NORTH BORNEO. Four stamps were issued on November 1 to commemorate the 75th anniversary of the founding of the old Chartered Company of North Borneo. The 10c stamp is lake, the 15c brown, the 35c deep green, and the \$1 steel blue.

PHILIPPINES. Two stamps honoring the University of Santo Tomas will be issued on November 13. The values will be 5c brown and sepia, and 60c sepia and violet. The design is the same on both stamps and shows the present University.

SEYCHELLES. "La Pierre de Possession" will be depicted on two stamps to be issued on November 15. The 40c value is ultramarine and the 1 rupee black. A portrait of Queen Elizabeth is part of the design.

½d Kangaroo Given Study By Specialists

Specialist fare is a newly produced brochure titled, "A Study of the ½d Kangaroo, 1938-1956". This, of course, refers to an Australian stamp which the Scott Catalog lists as Type A24.

Studies were carried out by the Commonwealth Specialist's Research Group of New South Wales, Australia over a period of two years with their findings being recorded in this 38-page publication.

This stamp was printed through four different issues. Each is taken as a study in itself with the variations pertinent to each pane the subject of a detailed study. Identification is made by stamp with the difference from normal described in understandable text.

Philatelists who like the research offered by several of the Australian stamps will appreciate this effort. Guidance is clear and the picturing of certain varieties make for intelligent use of the study.

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Absecon Lighthouse In SOJEX Cachet

The 21st Sojex, to be held at the Jefferson Hotel, Atlantic City, November 2, 3 and 4, will feature the old Absecon Lighthouse on its seal and cachet. A descriptive article will be included in the cacheted envelopes as a staffer.

Seals are 5c each and the cacheted envelopes 10c. Mail orders will be filled by Mrs. Gladys Testerman, 217 Rhoads Ave., Haddonfield, N.J. The Post Office Department is furnishing a special cancellation which will be used at the post office on the show floor.

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Philately Has A "Kiting" Problem

H. B. Wheeler

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Then when the remittances roll in he may have several hundred or several thousand dollars in orders he cannot fill. Instead of making an immediate refund he just keeps the money to re-invest in stock. Your nice letters of inquiry are ignored. When you get a little more insistent he institutes the stall technique. This consists of a letter advising that he expects to have the material soon and it will be sent to you.

All the time he's kiting your money, using it as operating capital against your expressed will and to his gain. Finally after weeks or even months he returns your refund, or he may send the material. In either case he has made available to himself funds which do not belong to him against the expressed will of the person or persons sending him the money.

There are several facets to this technique. One is to advertise material upon which the collector has an option to return if he is not satisfied. His advertisement reads "satisfaction or money refunded", or he may state that the money will be refunded if the merchandise is returned within a certain time. Then when the material is returned he waits weeks before refunding your remittance.

The kiting of collectors funds in this country reaches tremendous proportions over a period of one year.

Before we talk about a solution this statement should be made. Not everyone who undersells, or requests cash with order, or who states "satisfaction or money refunded" is guilty of kiting. In fact many fine firms might use one or all of these techniques on occasion, or regularly.

What is the solution? It is not easy. We have found out that the words "satisfaction or money refunded" means absolutely nothing to the kiter. I believe a stamp firm should say "immediate refund if sold out", or if the merchandise is returnable, "immediate refund upon return of merchandise".

I am wondering if the philatelic organizations aren't equipped to handle this problem. They could request their members to report guilty persons or firms. With this information a plan could be created to curtail the practice.

Catalog For Spain, Colonies, Ex-Colonies

The "Hevia Specialized Catalog for the Stamps of Spain", and the "Hevia Catalog for the Stamps of the Spanish Colonies and ex-Colonies" are in their 1957 editions. They are printed and published, as well as sold, by Filatelica Hevia, Mayor 13, Madrid, Spain, the former book at 4 Pesetas, and the latter at 5Pts., plus postage.

Both are in the Spanish language; prices are in centimos and pesetas.

The Spain Catalog deals with a number of categories of philatelic interest ranging in scope somewhat like the Scott U. S. Specialized. The user will find many categories in which the general catalogs are lacking.

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Precancel NEWS

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PRECANCEL NEWS

The Gunesch Precancel House has been publishing a little Precancel sheet from time to time. The September-October issue is now out. It reviews the Precancel Stamp Society convention at Battle Creek in August, prices on Bureaus, and takes up the reason that some of the low value Liberty series have not been Bureau-printed. Of course there are precancel offers and the like.

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The Nebraska News mailed with a 2c Liberty from VERDON, NEBR. The Nebraska count is 404 Towns and 610 types.

The "Keystoner", bulletin of the Western Pennsylvania Precancel Society was mailed with 1c Prexies from Kinterville, Pa. I understand this town was long a holdout (type U-21n). The Pennsylvania count is 919 Towns and 1672 types.

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Egypt's Scout Jamboree Set

Bruce Conde

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Due to this restriction on souvenir sheet purchase, there was a mad scramble on July 25 to get even a token supply. One device used by big wholesalers was to sell the perforated set in large quantities, to clients, at from 10 to 15% below face, on condition that the wholesaler keep the souvenir sheets. It was due to this unfortunate situation that the sheets were bringing \$7, nearly \$20 net, the first day.



Under the circumstances it is to be hoped that topical collectors of Scout stamps, as well as general collectors, will be satisfied with the ordinary perforated set, which should be relatively inexpensive (its total face is close to 28c only, including the semipostal surtax for benefit of scouting activities) and that philately in general and the catalogues in particular, will pass up the so-called souvenir sheets.

Representations are being made to Egypt's revolutionary government pointing out that this type of thing was to be expected under the corrupt old regime of playboy Farouk but that it is inexcusable in the case of a "clean-up" regime, and particularly of one that is in such urgent need of a bit of international good will due to the Suez and other political-economic complications.

Well, let's look at the stamps themselves, since we're not mad at the ordinary, regularly-issued set itself, or at the small (around

10c U.S.) semipostal surtax to benefit scouting activities.

In addition to being eminently suited for Boy Scout topical collections, their execution is pleasing and the workmanship (by Egypt's Survey Department Press, the best in the country) is good.

Each stamp's design is framed in the "Arab Chain" architectural and geometric motif found on classical Arab buildings, metal-work, mosaics etc. from ancient times down to the present. The Arabs have excelled in this type of work and in artistic calligraphy since the 7th and 8th century Omayyad Empire of the Caliphs of Damascus due to Islamic bans on art showing reproductions of living things.

The tiny country name, in Arabic and French, at the top is directly above the Scout Jamboree inscription in Arabic, which carries both the Christian (left) and Moslem (right) year dates, i.e. 1956 and 1375, flanked by bilingual inscriptions of value.

The 10 plus 10 mills low value has the ordinary Land Scout insignia as its central design, the 20 plus 10 shows the Sea Scout badge and the 35 plus 15 high value the Air Scout symbol. The round device in the center, between the two stars, on each badge, is the special insignia of Egyptian Scouts, representing the Nile and the Lotus blossom, symbolic of Egypt's 7,000-year Pharaonic heritage.

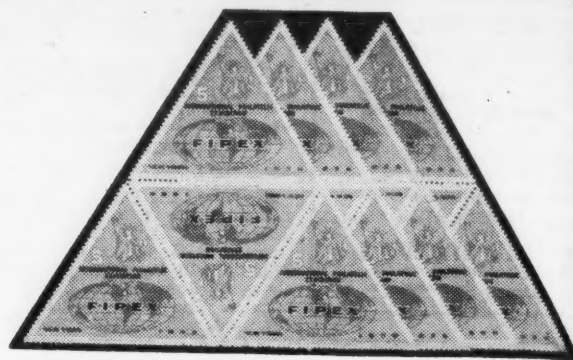
The French inscription below the central design reads "2nd Arab Jamboree, Alexandria-Aboukir, 1956".

It should be pointed out that scouting is very popular in Arab countries and that in addition to attending the world Scout Jamborees, Arab state Scouts have also started holding their own Jamborees each year. As Egypt is the biggest Arab state and has the most Scouts, it has been the host country initially.

Technically there are 22 Arab states, from Morocco to Iraq, but actually it has been difficult for Scouts in the British and French-held colonial areas to come to all-Arab Scout Jamborees, as the colonial regimes prefer to orient Scouting toward their own home country organizations.

However, with Morocco's and Tunisia's recent achievement of independence, prospects are brighter for all 22 states to be represented at future Jamborees.

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1935 Seal. Woman and Child.

A new edition of seals was issued every two years from 1935 through 1951, the majority of which were designed by a local artist, Hans Steiner, up until 1947 when it was necessary for him to retire due to blindness.

The following issues were designed by Louis Koller-Keller, another local artist.

From the beginning the seals were printed by Ringier, Ltd., of Zofingen. Printings were limited to anticipated sales and for that reason most all issues are rather on the scarce side.

Beginning in 1952 the canton levied a special tax to wage a drastic fight against tuberculosis and it was found not feasible to attempt to issue and sell seals for this purpose so the seal sales were discontinued.



1937 Seal. "Aarau Schlossli"

The 1935 issue consisted of three different designs to the sheet, viz., woman and child walking along a flower-bordered road toward a large double-barred cross in red, this was multi-colored in red, blue, orange and black.

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The 1937 issue also consisted of three designs picturing famous castles, viz., "Aarau Schlossli," (blue and orange); "Stein zu Baden," (blue and green); and "Habsburg," (blue and yellow).



1939 Seal. "Ruine Schenkenberg"

In 1939 a larger seal was issued in three different designs picturing other castles: "Landvogteischloss in Baden," (red and black); "Ruine Schenkenberg," (brown and black); and "Schloss Hallwil," (blue and black).

Starting in 1941 four different designs were used showing pictures of various castles: "Bremgarten," (violet and black); "Messerturm Rheinfelden," (purple and black); "Schloss Lenzburg," (violet and black); and "Festung Aarburg," (purple and black).

Again in 1943 various castles were shown as follows: "Schloss Kastelen," (blue and black); "Ruine Laufenburg," (yellow and black); "Die Trostburg," (green and black); and "Schloss Wildegg," (violet and black).



1949 Seal. "Arms of Baden"

Cities were used as the theme for the four designs on the 1945 issue: Rheinfelden, brown and black; Bremgarten, dark green and black; Aarau, dark blue and black; Zofingen, red and black.

Again in 1947 various city views were shown: Brugg, black; Zuzach, green and black; Lenzburg, blue and black, and Baden, red and black.

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119 HARVARD STREET PRESENTS
MAIL AUCTION NO. 10
(ALL LOTS UNRESERVED)

Featuring Columbians, Errors and Wholesale, U. S.

- TERMS —
1. EACH LOT in this sale will be sold to the highest bidder at a 25c advance over the second highest bid received. In the case of successful bids under \$5.00, a 10c advance over the second highest bid will be honored.
 2. SUCCESSFUL BIDDERS known to me and those furnishing bona-fide references will have their lots forwarded immediately on the closing date of the sale. Other successful bidders will be notified immediately and their lots will be forwarded upon receipt of payment in full. Payment must be sent within 5 days after notification, or receipt of lots.
 3. ONLY THE ACTUAL Postage and Insurance will be added. The descriptions are accurate, honest and GUARANTEED.
 4. CATALOGUE NUMBERS and PRICES: Scott's U. S. Specialized, 1956.
 - KEY: — Unused, full original gum; — Used; — Block; — Cover, Mint means Never Hinged; NG—No gum, SUPERB—Perfect; VF—Near Superb; FINE—Perfs, clear of design; OG—Off Center.

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Trade Reference (New customers Only) _____

Lot #	Scott #	Description	Cat. Val.
1	17	12c '51, A Nice looking "spacefiller"	22.50
2	36	12c '57, Fine copy	10.00
3	72	90c Attractive tho cntrd. T & R	20.00
4	75	5c Red Brown, slight defects	17.50
5	76	5c Full OG, cntrd R, short perf.	10.00
6	95	5c Grill, 2 short perfs, SCARCE	35.00
7	97	12c, Attractive copy, Fine	7.50
8	98	15c, A Fine copy	7.50
9	99	24c, Some nibbled perfs, RARE stamp	50.00
10	100	30c, Average copy, tiny thin	25.00
11	112	1c '69, Very Fine, lovely cancel	8.50
12	119	15c, Nice and lightly cncl, cntrd T	9.00
13	120	24c, A real good "spacefiller"	37.50
14	123	1c Reissue, A Fine, OG copy	17.50
15	149	7c, Cntrd T & L, Red cancel, Nice	7.00
16	218	90c, Lt. cancel, cntrd R, Nice stamp	15.00
17	219	29, 1890 Issue Cpl. set 12, Fine	15.50
18	230	38 1c-15c Colum., all OG & slight defects	30.65
19	230	39 1c-30c, All VF, A choice set	18.69
20	238	15c, well cntrd, NG, small defect	9.00
21	239	30c, Fine copy, No Gum	11.00
22	240	50c, OG, looks Fine, hinge thins	18.50
23	241	\$1.00, Bright OG, looks Fine, slight hinge thins	45.00
24	242	\$2.00, VF copy except tiny thin	35.00
25	243	\$3.00, perfs clear, OG, hinge thin	72.50
26	244	\$4.00, Fine, fresh color, no gum	82.50
27	245	\$5.00, Fine centering, no gum, nearly invisible, faint horiz. crease	95.00
28	277	\$2.00, well cntrd, one short perf, Nice	37.50
29	282c	10c 1898, A Fine, OG sgl.	9.00
30	285-90	1c-10c Trans., A F-VF set of 6	9.55
31	291	50c Trans., A Fine & Scarce stamp	10.00
32	294-99	1c-10c Pan American, A Fine set of 6	11.82
33	294-99	Cpl. Set, Fresh & OG, few close	27.35
34	298	8c PanAm, A SUPERB copy	4.50
35	314	1c Imperf. A VF, OG blk of 4	7.50
36	320	2c Imperf. A VF, OG blk of 4	11.00
37	320a	2c Lake Imp. A VF, OG, horiz. pair	17.50
38	320b	2c Lake Imp. A VF, OG, horiz. pair	17.50
39	323-27	Louisiana set Cpl., Fine set	13.20
40	323-27	Cpl. OG set, some slight defects	34.25
41	328-30	Jamestown set, A F-VF set of 3	4.15
42	328-30	Fresh Mint set, perfs nip as usual	8.90
43	331-41	1c-50c, A Fine, clean set of 11	7.43
44	Bklt	332a 2c, A Fine, OG Bklt Pane of 6	3.00
45	342	\$1.00, A Fine, clean sgl, scarce	8.50
46	343-47	Imperf. F-VF, OG, horiz pair each	28.70+
47	346	4c Imperf., A F-VF, OG blk of 4	15.00
48	347	5c Imperf., A F-VF, OG blk of 4	30.00
49	348-9	Two coil pairs, each F-VF & OG	7.50
50	348-51	Five OG set of 4 coils, Scarce	23.75
51	349	2c Coil, A SUPERB, mint sgl.	3.00
52	353-4	Two OG sgls., Fine & near Fine	10.25
53	357	1c Blue Paper, Fresh OG, close R	6.50
54	358	2c B.P., OG, close R, tiny thin	6.50
55	368	Line Imperf., A VF, OG sgl.	4.50
56	369	Bl. Paper, Cntrd L & B but clear, Fine	15.00
57	369	Blue, A Fine, OG sgl., Scarce	17.50
58	371	Alaska Imp., A VF, OG horiz. pair	12.00+
59	373	Fulton Imp., A Fine, OG horiz. pair	10.00
60	374-82	1c-15c, A F-VF cpl. set of 9	5.56
61	374-77	1c-4c, F-VF, OG blk of 4 of each	11.50
62	378	5c, OG blk of 4, cntrd to Bot.	4.25
63	378-80	5c, 8c, 3c, Fine, OG sgls.	9.25
64	391-2	A Fine, OG coil pair of each	9.00
65	394	Pasteup coil pair, OG, perfs nip	7.50
66	395	4c Coil pair, OG & Fine	6.00
67	397-400A	PanPac, cpl. set F-VF, Nice	4.75
68	400	10c PanPac, Fine, OG, one short perf.	11.00
69	401-4	Perf. 10's, A F-VF, cpl. set	9.25
70	410-12	3 Fine, OG coil pairs, (two lines)	2.85
71	412-13	Two Fine, OG coil pairs	6.50
72	414-21	8c-50c, A VF, set of 8 diff.	8.39
73	420	30c, Fresh OG perfs cut right	6.50
74	423	\$1.00, A Fine, perf initialed copy	7.00
75	424-40	1c-50c, Cpl. set 16, F-VF	8.30
76	428	5c, mint blk of 4, VF-Spb.	5.50
77	442	2c, OG strip 4, cntrd low	5.40
78	444	A Fine, OG, paste-up coil pair	7.50
79	445	3c, Fine, OG coil pair, RARE	40.00
80	446	4c, OG, coil pair, cntrd Top, clear	20.00
81	447	5c, A Fine, OG coil pair	3.00
82	447	4c, A Fine, OG coil pair	2.50
83	460	\$1.00, Very Fine—A Beauty	7.50
84	462-76	1c-20c, Cpl. set 14, F-VF	13.28
85	463b	5c Red ERROR in middle of blk of 9, one row perfs barely touches bot. of error other sides even, Fresh, OG & RARE	110.00
86	477-80	50c-\$5.00, 4 Average, sound sgls.	18.75
87	498-518	1c-\$1.00, Cpl. set of 18, VF	2.50
88	498-518	1c-\$1.00, Cpl. set 18, OG & F-VF	22.48
89	499h	5c Red ERROR in OG blk of 6, one row perfs barely tchs top of 5c Error, Balance Fine, Rare & Desirable	Est. 50.00
90	523	\$2.00 Orange & black, Beautiful, VF sgl.	23.50
91	531 & 35	1c & 3c Offsets, VF OG, horiz pair each	8.50+
92	532c	2c Offset, VF OG, horiz. pair, Type VI	6.00+
93	535	3c Offset, A Fine, mint blk of 4	8.50
94	545	1c, Fresh OG, tchs bot., Scarce	10.00
95	546	2c, Fine OG sgl. Scarce thus	4.50
96	547	\$2.00, Fresh OG, cntrd top & R, clear	16.00
97	550	5c Pilgrim, A Fine, Fresh Mint copy	4.00
98	550	Fine, Fresh Mint Pl# blk 6, R-12426	45.00
99	551-77	A VF set of 26 Cpl. Nice lot	5.58
100	575-77	3 SUPERB, OG imperf blks 4	7.70
101	581-90	Cpl. set 11, OG, few perfs tch	10.03
102	610-12	VF used blk of 4 of each,	7.70
103	611	Harding Imperf., VF mint horiz pair	3.50+
104	611	Top arrow blk of 4, Mint & SUPERB	13.50
105	611	Top Pl# blk of 6, SUPERB & OG	17.50
106	612	Rotary, A Fine, mint blk 4	8.00
107	614-16	Hug. Wal. set of 3, F-VF	3.60
108	614-16	A F-VF mint set of 3	5.35
109	617-19	Lexingtons, VF Mint set of 3	3.35
110	620-21	Norse, A VF, used set of 2	4.40
111	628	Ericsson, A VF used blk 4, choice	3.50
112	Sht.	630 Wht. Plains Sht., A Beauty, VF Mint	32.50
113	644	Burgoyne, Fine mint Bot. Pl# blk of 6	7.50
114	646	Molly P., A Fine, Mint Pl# blk of 4	5.00
115	649-50	Aero, Bot. Pl# blk 6 each, Fine mint	12.50
116	654	Edison, Pl# blk of 6, Mint & Just Fine	5.00
117	655	Pl# blk of 4, OG & Just Fine	7.50
118	656	Edison Coil pair, VF & Mint	2.40
119	657	Sullivan, A Fine, mint Pl# blk of 6	4.00
120	658-68	Kans. Cpl. set of 11, Fine & OG	20.75
121	661	3c Kans., Mint Pl# blk 4, Fine Tching	11.00
122	664	6c Kans. Mint Pl# blk 4, cntrd T., close	17.50

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123	668	8c, Mint Pl# blk 4, perfs nip Bot. Rare	40.00
124	668	10c, A choice Pl# pair, F-VF & Mint	4.00+
125	669-79	Nebr. Cpl. set of 11, Fine & OG	24.80
126	674	5c Nebr. Pl# blk of 4, Fine & Mint	9.00
127	675	6c N. Pl# blk 4, Fresh Mint & Near Fine	20.00
128	680	Wayne, Bot. Pl# blk 6, Fine & Mint	5.00
129	681	Ohio, Bot. Pl# blk 6, Fine & Mint	3.75
130	690	Pulaski, Bot. Pl# blk 6, Fine & Mint	2.50
131	704-15	Bicents, Cpl. set of 12 in OG Pl# blks of 4, perfs nip on most	37.15
132	740-49	Parks, Cpl. set of VF, used blks of 4	5.29
133	740-49	Parks, Cpl. set in VF Mint blks of 4	10.05
134	740-49	Parks, Cpl. set in VF Mint blks of 4	25.90
135	749	10c, Park Top Pl# blk 6, F-VF	6.50
136	756	Set of Cntr. line & 4 arrow blks 4, VF	4.75
137	756-65	Parks, set horiz pairs, VF-Spb	5.75
138	771	16c Farley, Bot. Pl# blk 6, VF	16.00
139	859-93	F.A. set Cpl., F-VF & Mint	11.28
140	878	10c Adams, Fine, Mint Pl# blk of 4	5.00
141	883	10c Nevins, VF Mint Pl# blk 4	10.00
142	888	10c Rem., VF Mint Pl# blk 4	8.00
143	894-5	Two F-VF, Mint Pl# blks of 4	5.25
144	900a	2c Defense, horiz pair, imperf between except 1 hole, VF & SCARCE	20.00
145	901a	3c Defense horiz. pr. imperf. VF & Mint	8.00
146	906	5c China, Fine, Mint Pl# blk of 4	5.00
147	909-21	Flag NAME blks 4, Cpl. F-VF & Mint	15.20
148	913	Flag Name blks 4 Cpl., each 1st Day cancel	15.20+
149	921	"KORPA" error in a VF, Mint blk of 4 Est.	5.00
150	987-1016	30 diff. VF-Spb used Pl# blks 4 Est.	8.00
151	80	lg. comm. blks of 4, F-VF, some dups Est.	13.00

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152	0	C1-3 1st Air Set Cpl., used Fine	10.75
153	0	C1-3 1st Air set Cpl., OG & Fine	17.25
154	0	C4-6 2nd Air set Cpl., used & Fine	8.35
155	0	C4-6 2nd Air set Cpl., OG & Fine	16.00
156	0	C5 16c 2nd Issue, Fine & Mint	6.50
157	0	C10 Lndy, Bot. Pl# blk 6, F-VF & Mint	6.50
158	0	C11 Beacon, Top Pl# blk 6, VF & Mint	3.25
159	0	C12 Flat, Pl# blk of 6, Fine & Mint	6.50
160	0	C18 Zepp, A Fine, Mint sgl.	9.00
161	0	Q1-12 Parcel Post Cpl., Fine & OG set	60.43
162	0	Q6 10c P.P., A VF, mint sgl.	1.85
163	0	Q1-5 P.P. Dues, Cpl. used set, F-VF	3.42
164	0	Q27 & 28 Two bright OG sgls. perfs tch	10.00
165	0	Q51 A Fine, lightly cancel copy	3.50
166	0	E1 1st Special, Fine & OG, light crease	7.50
167	0	E3 Orange, Fresh OG sgl., perfs nip Top	1.75
168	0	O122, 50c Green, Fine copy, Scarce	5.00
169	0	OK3 Clean & Fine, 2 short perfs, Scarce	7.00
170	0	OK11k Imperf pair (vertical), & double impression, only example of two major errors on 1 U. S. stamp. Worth more than full Cat.	6.00
171	0	PS4 Postal Saving, A F-VF, Mint blk 4	7.50
172	0	PS8-10 3 VF, OG sgls., Scarce	10.50
173	0	R17 3c Playing Card, Nice, cntrd R, Scarce	12.00
174	0	RB2 & RB3, 2 Fresh & Nice used copies	4.45
175	0	RB16 Barely cncl., close R, Nice copy	6.25
176	0	RW1 Blue Duck, Unsigned & Fine	7.00
177	0	RW2 Fresh OG, barely hngd. Fine & Scarce	22.50
178	0	RW3 A Fine, Mint Pl# sgl.	8.00+
179	0	RW4 A Very Fine, Mint sgl.	7.50
180	0	RW5 Pl# sgl. Mint, perfs nip bottom	8.50+
181	0	RW6 A Mint, Pl# sgl. close at left	5.00+
182	0	RW7 & 8 A Fine, Mint Pl# sgl. of each	8.25+
183	0	RW9 A Fine, Mint copy	3.75
184	0	RW10-13 4 diff., Fine, OG Pl# sgls	10.00+
185	0	RW16-20 5 OG, Pl# sgls, perfs nip RW18, balance are F-VF	15.00+

U. S. MINT WHOLESALE LOTS			
186	*Pr.	408-9 10 Fine, Mint, Imperf. pairs of each	4.40+
187	*Pr.	410 20 coil pairs, Mint & F-VF	6.00
188	*Bk.	424d Cpl. Bklt of 16 panes of 6, VF	3.20+
189	*Pr.	486 1c Coil, 100 VF-Spb, Mint pairs	10.00
190	*Pr.	489 3c Coil, 25 Fine-Spb, Mint pairs	6.00
191	*Pr.	493a 3c Coil, 20 VF-Spb, Mint Pairs	10.00
192	*Pr.	496 5c Coil, 15 F-VF, Mint Pairs	6.00
193	*Pr.	497 10c Coil, 1 pair & 3 sgls, F & Mint	6.25
194	*Pr.	552 1c Flat, 50 F-VF Mint, incl. blks	7.50
195	*Pr.	575 1c Imperf, 10 VF, Mint in pair & blks	12.50
196	*Pr.	576 1 1/2c Imperf, 20 F-VF Mint, pairs & blks	6.00
197	*Pr.	577 2c Imperf, 20 VF Mint, in pairs & blks	7.00+
198	*Pr.	610 Harding, 100 F-VF Mint, incl. blks	15.00
199	*Pr.	611 Harding Imperf., 6 VF & OG copies	10.50
200	*Pr.	614 1c Walloon, 20 JF-F mint sgls.	7.00
201	*Pr.	619 5c Lex., 3 Fine, Fresh Mint copies	6.75
202	*Pr.	622-23 13c & 17c, 5 OG sgls of each, F-VF	6.75
203	*Pr.	627 Liberty Bell, 20 F-VF Mint sgls	7.00
204	*Pr.	628 Ericsson, 5 F-VF, Fresh Mint sgls.	6.75
205	*Pr.	629 Wht. Plains, 20 Fine, Mint, incl. blks.	8.00
206	*Pr.	631 1 1/2c Roly Imperf. 4 VF mint blks of 4	11.00
207	*Pr.	643 Vermont, 25 F-VF copies, incl. blks.	6.25
208	*Pr.	644 Burgoyne, 10 F-VF, OG incl a blk	6.00+
209	*Pr.	645 V. Forge, 25 F-VF copies, incl. blks	5.00
210	*Pr.	646 Molly P., 2 Mint Pl# blks 4, Avg. Cntr	10.00
211	*Pr.	651 Clark 25 F-VF, Mint incl blks	6.25
212	*Pr.	651 Clark, 5 Fine, Mint Pl# blks of 6	13.75
213	*Pr.	654 Edison 50 Mint, incl. blks, Most F-VF	11.00+
214	*Pr.	656 Ed. Coil, 10 Mint, incl. pairs, Most F	12.00
215	*Pr.	657 Sullivan, 50 Mint, incl. blks, F-VF	7.50
216	*Pr.	680 Wayne, 25 Mint, incl. blks, F-VF	7.50
217	*Pr.	681 Ohio, 100 Mint, incl. blks, F-VF	15.00
218	*Pr.	682 Mass Bay, 50 Mint, incl. blks, F-VF	6.00+
219	*Pr.	683 Charl., 50 Mint, incl. blks, close Fine	12.50
220	*Pr.	688 Brad., 50 Mint incl. blks., Close Fine	9.00+
221	*Pr.	689 Steuben, 50 Mint incl. blks, F-VF	9.00+
222	*Pr.	690 Pulaski, 50 Mint incl. blks, F-VF	6.00+
223	*Pr.	702 Red X, 10 Mint Pl# blks 4, F-VF	12.00
224	*Pr.	703 Yorktown, 5 Mint Centerline blks 4, F-VF	7.50
225	*Pr.	703 Yorktown, 10 Mint Pl# blks 4, F-VF	7.50+
226	*Pr.	704 1/2c Bicent. 150 Mint incl. blks, most F-VF	6.00
227	*Pr.	705 1c Bicent. 20 Mint blks of 4, F-VF	5.00
228	*Pr.	706 1 1/2c Bicent 20 Mint blks of 4, F-VF	10.00
229	*Pr.	709 4c Bicent, 100 Mint, incl. blks, F-VF	12.00+
230	*Pr.	709 5 Broken Frame Pl# blks of 4, F-VF mint	7.50
231	*Pr.	712 7c Bicent, 50 Mint incl. blks, F-VF	10.00
232	*Pr.	716 Placid, 100 Mint incl. blks., F-VF	12.00+
233	*Pr.	717 Arbor, 14 Mint Pl# blks 4, off-cntr.	11.90
234	*Pr.	718-19 Olympics 25 sets incl. blks, F-VF	11.25
235	*Pr.	721 3c Coil, 25 mint incl. pairs, F-VF	3.75
236	*Pr.	722 3c Coil 15 Mint, Line pairs, VF-Spb	4.50
237	*Pr.	724-26 3 diff. 25 mint each, incl. blks, F-VF	13.25+
238	*Pr.	727 Newburgh, 10 F mint Pl# blks of 4	7.50
239	*Pr.	728 1c Chi., 11 Pl.#blks 4, Mint & F-VF	6.80
240	*Sht.	730-31 5 Souvenir shts of each, All VF	35.00
241	*Pr.	732 NRA, 10 Mint Pl# blks of 4 Fine	6.00
242	*Pr.	733 Byrd, 20 Mint, incl. blks, F-VF	9.00
243	*Pr.	736 Maryland, 50 Mint incl. blks, F-VF	7.50
244	*Pr.	736 9 Mint, Pl# blks of 6, Mostly F-VF	16.65